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Menlo Park, California January 6, 2003

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS Washington, D.C., 20231

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF APPLICATION RELATING TO TECHNOLOGIES FOR COUNTERING TERRORISM (37 CFR 1.102 and MPEP § 708.02)

Applicants hereby petition to make this application special because of special status for applications relating to countering terrorism.

1. Accompanying Material:

Accompanying this petition is:

(1) A Declaration of Facts in Support of Petition to Make Special because of Application relating to counter-terrorism.

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(2) Fee (37 CFR 1.17 [i] [2])

The fee required is to be paid for the petition is enclosed in the sum of \$130.00

The Commission is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required, or credit any payment to Deposit Account 500482.

(2) A return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be <u>stamped with the receipt date</u> of the above documents and returned to the addressee as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this petition is attached.

Respectfully Submitted:

Dennis Fernandez

Reg. No. 34,160

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- I, Dennis Fernandez, declare as follows:
- I am the managing partner with the firm of Fernandez & Associates LLP,
 1047 El Camino Real, Suite 201, Menlo Park, CA 94025.
- 2. I am registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and my registration number is 34,160.
- 3. I am a listed patent attorney for the above-cited Patent Application that was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.
- 4. I am also the lead inventor of the above-cited Patent Application.
- 5. I have analyzed information in the presently claimed invention filed on March 29, 2001.

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- 6. In my opinion, the present application is entitled to a Special Status because the invention contributes to countering terrorism.
- 7. Based on my searches and analysis, I determine that the invention contributes to countering terrorism because:
 - a) the invention discloses a console processing unit coupled to at least one detector and at least one mobile sensor, the console processing unit having a data structure for representing a monitored object; and
 - b) the invention discloses a method of transmitting to a console processor in a network a data structure comprising an object identifier, a first object location provided by a detector coupled to the console processor, and a second object location provided by a sensor coupled to the console processor.
- 8. To the best of my knowledge, all claims now pending in the above-cited Patent Application are allowable over prior art of which I am aware of.
- 9. I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 to Title 18 of the United States Codes, and that willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Fernandez

Attorney for Applicants

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